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REF: A) SECSTATE 300412 B) CASABLANCA 0359 OF APRIL 1, 1977

1. RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS CONTAINED IN PARA 1 (A TO J) OF REF A WERE GIVEN BY POST IN REF B AND WITH ADDENDUM BELOW REMAIN CURRENT. WE CONTINUE TO FEEL THAT A TRADE MISSION ON ELECTRICAL ENERGY SYSTEMS WOULD BE MORE USEFUL THAN A SEMINAR. FOR PARA H: ALTHOUGH NEW 5-YEAR PLAN SCHEDULED TO START JANUARY 1, 1978 HAS NOT BEEN PUBLISHED, OUR CONTACTS IN THE OFFICE NATIONAL DE L'ELECTRICITE CONTINUE TO BE INTERESTED IN SUCH MISSION.

2. FOLLOWING ARE ANSWERS TO PARA 3 OF REF A. PRICE INFORMATION IS BASED ON PREVIOUS TJM VISITS TO POST.

A) NO VISA REQUIREMENTS FOR US CITIZENS, WHO RECEIVE A 90 DAY PERMIT OF STAY FROM MOROCCAN AUTHORITIES AT PORT (AIRPORT OF ENTRY).

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B) SINGLE ROOM COST ABOUT \$35.00/DAY BREAKFAST AND TAX INCLUDED. LUNCHEON AND DINNER CAN BE TAKEN AT APPROXIMATELY \$14.00 A PIECE. SUITE FOR MISSION DIRECTOR SHOULD NOT EXCEED \$80.00/DAY, BREAKFAST AND TAXES INCLUDED.

C) INTERPRETERS (STIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATORS DO NOT EXIST IN MOROCCO) ARE AVAILABLE HERE. THEY ARE APPROXIMATELY \$9.00/HOURS.

IN ABSENCE OF LIST OF SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS, WE BELIEVE
PRINTING OF BROCHURES, FLYERS AND INVITATIONS SHOULD NOT
EXCEED \$700.00.

D) LOCAL SPONSORSHIP OF SEMINAR MISSION COULD BE DONE
BY OFFICE NATIONAL DE L'ELECTRICITE (ONE) A GOVERNMENT CONTROLLED
AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ALL ELECTRICITY
DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS IN MOROCCO.

E) MISSION COULD BE HELD AT HOTEL EL MANSOUR WHERE ALL
REQUIRED FACILITIES EXIST. A BUSINESS CENTER AND MEETING
ROOM FOR INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS WITH REFRESHMENTS OR
DRINKS SERVED UPON DEMAND WILL COST ABOUT \$200.00 A DAY.

F) LOCAL PHOTOGRAPHERS ARE AVAILABLE AT REASONABLE PRICES.

G) MISSION RECEPTION AT CONSUL GENERAL'S RESIDENCE CAN BE
ORGANIZED. COST SHOULD NOT EXCEED \$500.00

H) BI-LINGUAL SECRETARY-RECEPTIONIST FOR MISSION BUSINESS
INFORMATION CENTER AS OTHER MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES CAN
BE MADE AVAILABLE AT MAXIMUM COST OF \$50.00 A DAY.
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